

HUNG SINK SAVANNAH LINER

GERMAN SUBMARINES
DEAL DEATH ALMOST AT
ENTRANCE N. Y. HARBOR

List of Vessels Sunk May Reach Fifteen—All Sailings From Atlantic Ports Barred for Time—United States Destroyers Not Yet Heard From.

Attack Regarded as Opening of Campaign to Break Up Transport of Troops to France. Ships Torpedoed Off New Jersey and Nantucket Coasts.

(Associated Press.)

New York, June 3.—One steamship, on schooner and two or three other vessels have been sunk off the Jersey coast by German submarines.

One of the ships sunk was the Edward H. Cola, a sailing vessel.

It was asserted in shipping circles that it was possible that as many as six additional vessels were destroyed, not including those known to have been sunk.

The ships were attacked some time during the night, according to information which was received here. Details were not immediately available.

The port authorities barred the departure of outgoing ships before noon.

It is presumed here that the submarine or submarines are now being dealt with by American destroyers.

Rumors of the presence of German submarines off the American coast have been current for the past two weeks, the reports telling of one or more having been sighted in southern waters.

To Break Up Transport.
The attack upon American shipping almost at the very entrance of New York harbor is taken to mean that Germany has at last inaugurated a submarine campaign to break up transport of troops.

Although there have been frequent rumors of submarines having crossed the Atlantic since America entered the war none has actually before attacked American shipping on this side of the Atlantic. In October, 1915, the German submarine U-53, after visiting Newport, R. I., lay in wait for British shipping off Nantucket lightship and got six victims.

Information received at the maritime exchange here indicated as many as fifteen vessels have been sunk.

Off Nantucket Shoals.
Chatham, Mass., June 3.—A report is current on the coast that a ship has been torpedoed off Nantucket shoals. No official confirmation of the report is obtainable.

Providence, R. I., June 3.—Narragansett bay was closed to outgoing vessels this morning by order of the commandant of the naval station at Newport.

Attacked in Force.
Within the last week a South American ship, arriving here, broadcast reports of the presence of two German submarines in the vicinity of Bermuda. The reports that fifteen vessels had been sunk seems to indicate the presence of a number of submarines and that the enemy has inaugurated an attack in force.

Boston Denies Report.
Boston, June 3.—It was stated at the offices of the commandant of the first naval district today that there was no truth in the report that a vessel had been sunk by submarines off Nantucket shoals. The office intimated that a report that the port of Boston had not been closed at 11:30 a.m.

(Associated Press.)
Washington, June 3.—Naval officials said that up to the time Associated Press dispatches telling of the destruction of American shipping off the New Jersey coast by German submarines were received in Washington, the navy department had no positive information of the presence of enemy raiders in home waters.

The submarines were undoubtedly looking for American transports. Having been checked by the American destroyer fleet, they apparently have concluded to carry the submarine warfare to the coasts of America in hopes of cutting the flow of troops which will turn the balance against the central powers on the western battle front.

If the German admiralty expects to And the American ports unprotected because of a great force of American

"CITY OF COLUMBUS" SUNK; SAVANNAH
PORT CLOSED BY WASHINGTON ORDER

Latest Official Summary of Wholesale Sinkings Given Below—Torpedoes Preserved for Important Quarry—Officers Reaching Coast Say Germans Destroyed Small American Craft by Means of Bombs and Shell Fire.

(Associated Press.)
New York, June 3.—The City of Columbus, a passenger ship in the Atlantic coast trade, is reported to have been sunk.

The City of Columbus was a Savannah line steamer, plying between that city and Boston.

Tickets have been sold in Chattanooga by local offices of the Central of Georgia railway in connection with the City of Columbus, but it was stated that none were sold for this particular sailing.

Losses Known Definitely.

(Associated Press.)
New York, June 3.—The campaign of German submarines on the American Atlantic coast, according to reports received here up to a late hour today, has netted them at least one American passenger steamer and five American schooners. These are the losses definitely known. Reports of other attacks, including those on two American tank ships and another passenger steamer, came seeping through the afternoon and shipping men fear that the toll of losses will be added to.

The ships definitely reported as attacked were: Steamer Carolina, from Porto Rico with 220 passengers; schooners Edward H. Cole, Jacob S. Haskell, Isabel B. Wiley, Hattie Dunn and Samuel W. Hathaway. The coastwise steamer City of Columbus, Savannah for Boston, with passengers, was added late today as another probable victim of the German sea raiders.

The attack on the Carolina became known this afternoon when word was received here that an S. O. S. call for help came from her last night. Her wireless message, picked up by naval vessels, stated that a submarine was shelling the vessel and that the passengers had taken to the boats. Help was immediately sent, and it is hoped that all hands will be reported safe.

Of the crews on the schooners, only that of the Edward H. Cole is known to be safe. They have reached New York and told their story.

News of the fate of those on the other schooners is anxiously awaited. Naval vessels, it is known, have not

only gone to the rescue, but are scouring the seas for the enemy.

Coast guards at all stations have been notified to watch for shipwrecked men.

Torpedoes Little Used.

These officers noted that the submarines carefully preserved their torpedoes for more important quarry and destroyed the small American ships by bombs or with shell fire. They said they expected that after having reached southern bases and replenishing their fuel, the submarines would again turn northward, and after having made another raid, return again for fuel. How long this can be kept up depended entirely on the effectiveness of the search which American anti-submarine craft conduct.

The fact that the U-boats wasted all the value surprise attack in home waters would give them in war on troop transports attracted attention. It was pointed out that after all the present German campaign must be for the purpose of creating an impression that a strong patrol was being established, while in fact only a few boats actually are engaged.

To Carry Gun Crews.

(International News Service.)
Washington, June 3.—Every coastwise vessel under control of the railway administration will carry a gun crew as protection against the German submarines now operating in American waters, it was learned this afternoon. Officials of the administration were said to be busy checking up the number of vessels that are unarmed, and to be taking steps to have them equipped with guns and gun crews.

By Order From Washington.

(International News Service.)
Savannah, Ga., June 3.—This port has been closed by an order from Washington. Fears are felt for the safety of the City of Columbus, a Savannah steamship liner enroute from here to New York and due in the vicinity of the submarine sinkings.

Fear Crew Lost.

(International News Service.)
New York, June 3.—The A. H. Ball Steamship company, agents here for

the schooner Jacob M. Haskell, one of the victims of the German submarines, fear that the crew of eleven has been lost. The Haskell was bound from Norfolk to Portland, Me., and was probably in the vicinity of the Edward H. Cole, officials of the line said. Nothing has been heard from the crew.

Was Four-Masted Schooner.

New York, June 3.—The Jacob M. Haskell, of Boston, was a four-masted schooner of 1,362 tons burden. She was built in 1901 at Rock Island, Me., and was 226 feet long, 43-foot beam and 25.5 feet deep.

The Isabel B. Wiley, of Bath, Me., was a three-masted schooner and was registered at 611 tons. She was built at Bath, Me., in 1906 and was 160 feet long, 37-foot beam and 17 feet deep.

Out from Norfolk.

New York, June 3.—A wireless message saying the American schooner Isabel B. Wiley had been sunk by gunfire off Block Island was picked up by an American steamship which arrived here today from the West Indies. First reports were that the vessel was the schooner Ella M. Wiley. The Isabel B. Wiley, from New York for a South American port, left Norfolk yesterday, and it is assumed here that the part of the radiogram reading "off Block Island" was misread.

Merchantmen Gave Fight.

New York, June 3.—At least one large merchant steamship gave battle to a German submarine off the coast of New Jersey yesterday, according to members of the crew of the schooner Edward H. Cole. The submarine was the victor in this fight, and later the same U-boat destroyed another big steamship, after several hours of firing, in the same vicinity.

For twenty-four hours prior to the Cole's destruction, at 4 p.m. on Sunday, when seventy-five miles off Highland Light, N. J., the crew saw an unusual amount of wreckage. The sea from this point to the shore also was filled with wreckage, the rescued crew reported.

The submarine which sunk the Cole, the crew said, was the largest they had ever seen. It carried guns fore and aft and was 250 feet long.

GERMAN RAIDERS WILL
NOT DETER U. S. NURSES

Says Miss Jane Delano, Director of Nursing Department of Red Cross.

(Associated Press.)
Washington, June 3.—The deliberate bombing of hospitals by German raiders will not deter American nurses from seeking service in France, said Miss Jane A. Delano, director of the department of nursing of the Red Cross, in a statement today.

"The persistent bombing of Red Cross hospitals just as our drive to obtain military nurses begins may be a coincidence," said Miss Delano. "If, however, the Germans believe that such methods will have any effect in deterring American nurses from volunteering for hospital work, they are badly mistaken. 'Tactics of frightfulness' will merely send more and more to them to back up our men. If it is the German intention of frightening our women, they will find that American women do not know how to retreat any more than do our boys in Picardy. The enrollment of nurses will be American womanhood's answer."

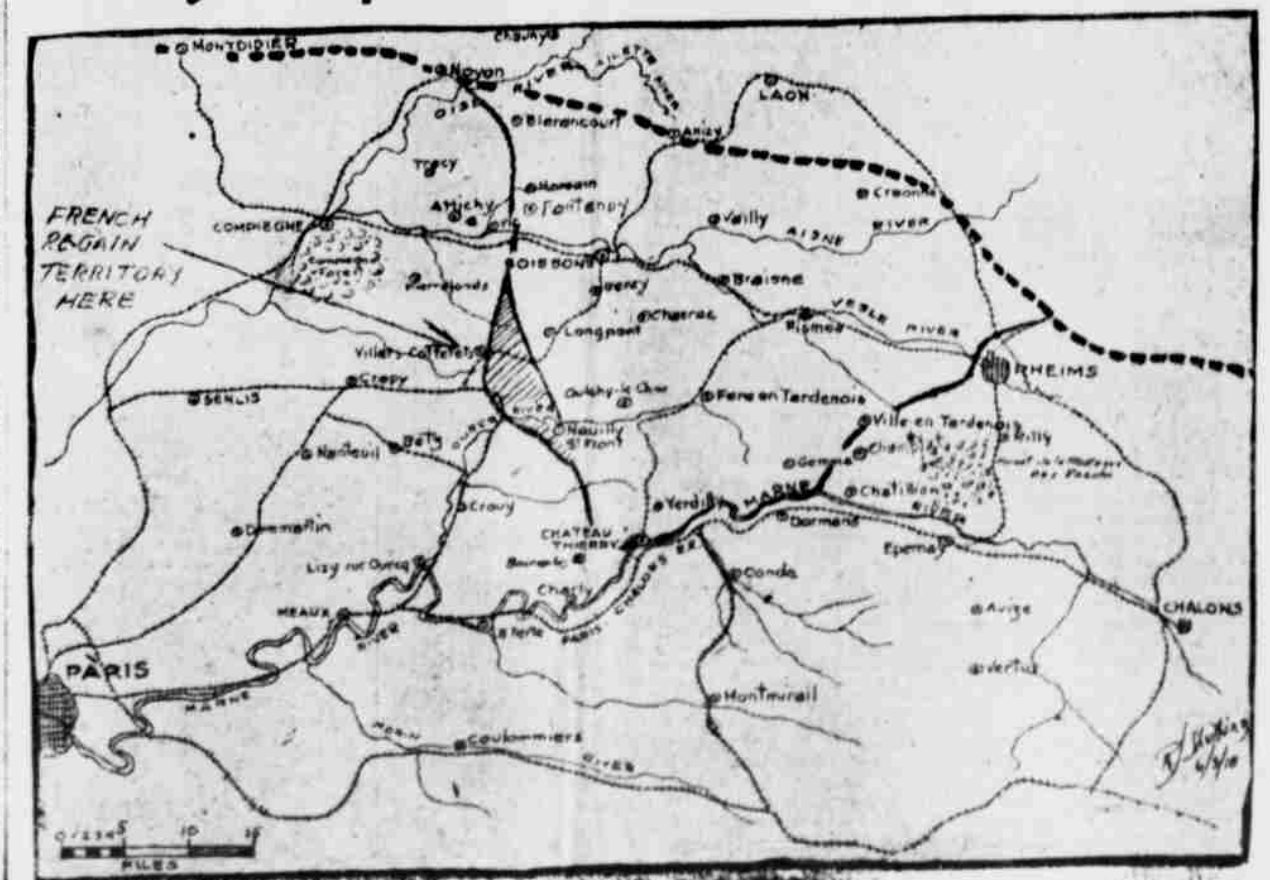
U-BOAT CAPTURED
OR SUNK, BELIEVED

(International News Service.)
An Atlantic Port, June 3.—One of the German submarines operating along the Atlantic coast has been either sunk or captured, according to unverified reports received here this afternoon. The report, while absolutely without confirmation, was to the effect that a steamer was nearing this port with the members of the submarine crew aboard.

Cooler, Says Billy 'Possum.

I think I'll swear off bathing. I won't even cross the bridge, and I'll pick me out a dry spot on the mountain or the ridge; for you never can be certain, and each fiendish U-boat coup brings new terrors to your coffee, makes you even mine your soup. The weather? Fair with slight change in temperature.

Today's Improved Situation Shown in Map

PASSENGER VESSELS IN
DISTRESS; S. O. S. CALLS

New York and Porto Rico Liner, Carolina, Sent Wireless That She Was Attacked by U-Boat—Had 220 Passengers and 120 in Crew.

Hattie Dunn and Hathaway Sunk—Schooner Ella M. Wiley Sunk by Gun Fire Off Block Island—Two United States Tankers Torpedoed.

New York, June 3.—Two more American vessels, the Hattie Dunn and the Samuel W. Hathaway, have been sunk by German submarines.

A wireless S. O. S. call from the New York and Porto Rico line passenger steamship Carolina, saying she was being attacked by a submarine was received here today.

The Carolina, with 220 passengers aboard and 120 in her crew, was bound for an Atlantic port at which she is this afternoon twelve hours overdue.

Guard Ship Received Call.

The fate of the Carolina is not known. No wireless calls were received after the first call for help. A United States guard ship got the call.

The Carolina, a vessel of 3,125 tons, has long been in the New York Porto Rico trade. She was built at Newport News in 1896.

Her wireless call for help was received at 7 o'clock last night. Shipping authorities estimated that when attacked she was in about the same position as the schooner Edward H. Cole when that vessel was destroyed by a submarine. The Carolina was commanded by T. R. D. Barker.

"Sunk by Gun Fire."

A wireless message saying the American schooner Ella M. Wiley had been "sunk by gun fire" off Block Island was picked up by an American steamship which arrived here today from Porto Rico.

Details were lacking, but the report was that they had fallen victims to the enemy somewhere off the New England coast.

The Hattie Dunn, a three-masted schooner, was 145 feet long, 35 feet beam and 11 feet deep. Her tonnage was 365. She was built at Thomaston, Me., in 1884.

The Samuel W. Hathaway, a four-masted schooner, was built at Brewer, Mass., in 1902.

Tankers Sinking.

An Atlantic Port, June 3.—A British steamship which came into port at full speed today reported having picked up wireless appeals for help from two American tank steamships which were being attacked off the New Jersey coast.

Both of the tankers reported they were sinking.

Passengers in Lifeboats.
The S. O. S. picked up by the navy department at Washington from the Carolina said the steamer was being shelled by the submarine.

The New York & Porto Rico Steamship company was advised this afternoon from Washington

BELIEVE GERMAN SPIES
KNEW RAID WAS PLANNED

(Associated Press.)
Washington, June 3.—It is believed that the widespread rumors of German submarines near the American coast, prevalent for the last few weeks, were the work of German sympathizers or spies who had advanced knowledge of the raid and spread the reports to demoralize shipping and possibly retard transport service.

Capt. George Leroy Austin
Found Dead in Quarters

San Antonio, Tex., June 3.—Capt. George Leroy Austin, 343rd Field artillery, was found dead in his quarters at Camp Travis Sunday afternoon. There was a bullet hole through the head and an army revolver near by. His home was in Oakdale, La.

OIL TANK STEAMSHIP
REPORTED SINKING

Philadelphia, June 3.—An oil tank steamship was reported sinking at 4 p.m., four miles east-southeast of Cape Henlopen, Del.

The report did not say the tanker had been torpedoed, but it is the work of submarine shipping men say the fact would indicate the U-boat or boats which have been operating off the New England and New Jersey coasts are proceeding southward.

BALLOONS SEARCH FOR
U-BOATS

An Atlantic Port, June 3.—Two dirigible balloons this afternoon crossed out to sea in search of German U-boats in Atlantic waters. Both low and high were plentifully supplied with bombs. It is also expected that a large number of seaplanes will also be sent out to search for submarines.

Three Officers and 23 Men
of Lincoln Missing

Washington, June 3.—Three officers and twenty-three enlisted men of the navy were reported missing today from the torpedoed American transport President Lincoln. One officer was captured by the submarine.

PORT AT BOSTON
CLOSED AT NOON

(International News Service.)
Boston, June 3.—Rear Admiral Spencer S. Wood, commander of the Boston naval district, closed the port of Boston at noon today. The admiral said he was not surprised at the sudden appearance of U-boats on this coast.

FLYER BURNED TO DEATH
IN MID-AIR AT TEXAS FIELD

(Associated Press.)
Fort Worth, Tex., June 3.—Harvey J. Webster, student flyer from Grand Rapids, Mich., was burned to death in mid-air here today when his plane caught fire after a collision.